

## CULCON XXVIII

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- ❖ Mr. Naoyuki Agawa, Distinguished Visiting Professor, Doshisha University
- ❖ Dr. Masako Egawa, Professor, Graduate School of Commerce and Management, Hitotsubashi University
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- ❖ Mr. Kazuaki Kawabata, Director-General for International Affairs, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology(MEXT)
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